Table B-2. R&D expenditures at universities and colleges, by character of work: fiscal years 1953-2001

[Dollars in millions]

	Total	Character of work			
Fiscal year		Basic research		Applied research and development	
		Amount	Percent of total	Amount	Percent of total
1953 1954 1955 1956	255 290 312 372 410	110 136 159 200 240	43.1 46.9 51.0 53.8 58.5	145 154 153 172 170	56.9 53.1 49.0 46.2 41.5
1958	456	281	61.6	175	38.4
	526	343	65.2	183	34.8
	646	433	67.0	213	33.0
	763	536	70.2	227	29.8
	904	659	72.9	245	27.1
1963	1,081	814	75.3	267	24.7
	1,275	1,003	78.7	272	21.3
	1,474	1,138	77.2	336	22.8
	1,715	1,303	76.0	412	24.0
	1,921	1,457	75.8	464	24.2
1968	2,149	1,650	76.8	499	23.2
	2,225	1,711	76.9	514	23.1
	2,335	1,796	76.9	539	23.1
	2,500	1,914	76.6	586	23.4
	2,630	2,022	76.9	608	23.1
1973	2,884	2,053	71.2	831	28.8
	3,022	2,153	71.2	869	28.8
	3,409	2,410	70.7	999	29.3
	3,729	2,549	68.4	1,180	31.6
	4,067	2,800	68.8	1,267	31.2
19781 1979 1980 1981 1982	4,625 5,366 6,063 6,847 7,324	3,619 4,036 4,594 4,879	67.4 66.6 67.1 66.6	1,747 2,026 2,253 2,445	32.6 33.4 32.9 33.4
1983	7,882	5,303	67.3	2,579	32.7
	8,620	5,733	66.5	2,887	33.5
	9,687	6,556	67.7	3,131	32.3
	10,928	7,492	68.6	3,435	31.4
	12,153	8,393	69.1	3,760	30.9
1988	13,463	8,894	66.1	4,569	33.9
	14,977	9,792	65.4	5,185	34.6
	16,286	10,643	65.4	5,643	34.6
	17,585	11,606	66.0	5,979	34.0
	18,818	12,516	66.5	6,302	33.5
1993	19,951	13,303	66.7	6,648	33.3
	21,023	13,983	66.5	7,040	33.5
	22,165	14,805	66.8	7,360	33.2
	23,040	15,475	67.2	7,565	32.8
	24,363	16,595	68.1	7,768	31.9
1998 ²	25,848	19,061	73.7	6,787	26.3
1999	27,505	20,332	73.9	7,173	26.1
2000	30,042	22,416	74.6	7,626	25.4
2001	32,723	24,242	74.1	8,481	25.9

Separate data for basic research and applied research and development were not collected for fiscal year 1978.

KEY: = not available

R&D expenditures by character of work are based on estimates of basic research provided by universities and colleges.

Because of rounding, detail may not add to totals.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics, Survey of Research and Development Expenditures at Universities and Colleges, Fiscal Year 2001

Basic research statistics were re-estimated for FY 1998 and forward.